

## PETEY SIMMONS SEES GIANTS PLAY AT LAST

Previously Just Day Laborers at \$1,000 Per—Not So Now, He Says.

### REVERSE TIME'S FLIGHT

Jump Back to Last Spring and Imagine Red Sox Are Plain National Leaguers.

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BOSTON, Oct. 15.—"Well, I'm glad I got a chance to see the Giants play at last," said Petey Simmons, one of the seventh game (receipts \$60,000, total receipts \$165,000, players' share \$150,000, etc.) of the world's series came to a dreary, frigid end and the gallant remnants of the Boston royal rosters made their usual parade with their coat collars turned up to keep out the howling north wind.

"What have I been watching during the series?" he repeated. "I've been watching a nice, industrious set of day laborers from New York who have been playing good baseball at \$1,000 a day and board. They have been real good players, too—fielded well and hit the ball with the best intentions in the world—regular pocket Giants. But today they grew up."

"Today I watched the kind of Giants who started out last spring and won so many games in a row that the New York newspapers used to print their sporting extras with 'Giants Win' across the top in the morning! I got a good peep at slugging Snodgrass, detestable Doyle and the Heap Big Chief who used to bludgeon home the same as regularly as he took an afternoon in the evening. I saw them bang the ball on the nose, the forehead and the back. I saw them dance, stiff-legged half way down from first, steal second before the catcher could throw the ball, start for third on every pitch, and sneak in home on scratches, outs, throws to second and every possible excuse."

"Oh, I tell you those grownup Giants were a real ball team in the first inning. They were determined to handle that plainie fire. Boston couldn't keep them off the bases, and when they got there she couldn't keep them on to save her life. I never saw a bunch so homesick as the Giants. They literally pined for home. They began stealing home as soon as they hit first base. They made three bases off singles, two bases off of wild throws and single bases on the weather, and on no end at all. No wonder the poor old National League teams lay down and put their feet up last spring while the Giants were oozing this sort of tobacco at every pore. Why, they had Wood dizzy this afternoon just by running around and around."

"No, sir; the Giants won because they turned old Father Time backward to last spring," said Petey decisively when I suggested that the plainie fire frustrated fingers might have had something to do with the result. "They went after that game like a bull pup going after a kitten. They beat the gun and got half way through with the whole performance before the Boston bunch got their fingers arranged and their feet sorted out. Wood meant nothing to them yesterday—nothing but several kinds of New England pie. You know what happens to the pitcher who goes into the well too often—he gets his. Wood went up against the victims he had toyed with and found them all equipped with smoke consumers. And how they ate him up!"

"Seven spans in one inning and six runs! I was glad it happened. I've always wanted to see the Giants play." That was all there was of the Giants' triumph. Petey continued. "After the first inning they settled back and played single ball. I know just exactly how Doyle felt when he ran into the infield, danced around in the wrong place waiting for one of those Woolworth Building pop-ups to come down, and then tried to catch it with two knuckles. I've done it myself. But I never got paid for it."

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## Red Sox Prove Themselves Weaker Than Old Athletics, Says Taylor.

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Boston, Oct. 15.—"I said before the series that the teams were very evenly matched," said John I. Taylor, part owner of the Boston Club, to-night, "and now I know that I was right. I may be disappointed, but I think the Red Sox are not as strong as the Athletics were last year. They simply won the American League pennant because the Athletics fell down, and only one club, the Washingtons, showed any real improvement. Wood fell by the wayside to-day for the reason that he got a bad start. He is a fellow who must have everything breaking in his favor to do his work. If I had a—I would urge the selection of Bedient as the pitcher to make a last stand for the world's title."

Boston, Oct. 15.—Christy Mathewson, who warmed up periodically during this afternoon's one sided affair, will occupy the box for New York to-morrow. Matty declares that his arm is in pretty fair shape and that with any kind of a break he thinks he can hold the Bean Eaters down to a losing score. McGraw is prepared to take desperate chances to win to-morrow. If the Red Sox hit Matty the Giants' manager, it is said, will call upon Marquard to clean up. The Ruble did no work to-day, but he said that in spite of the hard game in New York yesterday he felt no ill effects and believed that he would be strong enough to pitch the extra game to-morrow if McGraw should decide at the last moment to use him instead of Mathewson. McGraw's confidence is based upon the fact that the Giants are hitting the ball with better results than in the early games of the series. The fact that they knocked Joe Wood out of the box in the first inning to-day has convinced the Giants' manager that they have nothing more to fear.

In the Red Sox camp to-night there is a difference of opinion as to whether Bedient or Wood should be selected to start against the Giants to-morrow. Wood is anxious to redeem himself, but there is no doubt that after his miserable showing to-day a large majority of the Boston fans prefer to stake everything on Bedient, who made the Giants look like minor leaguers here last Saturday. It is possible that Bedient will start the game and if the Giants find him Stahli will call upon Wood as a last resort. Bedient will have had three days of rest and the Boston players say that they do not believe the Giants can do much with his wonderful crossfire delivery.

The downfall of Joe Wood came like a flash, it is said, from a clear sky. He had been saved for to-day's struggle, for President McAleer was cooing that he would easily dispose of the New Yorks. Before the teams appeared on the field McAleer said to THE SUN man: "It would have been foolish to have pitched Wood yesterday, for in all probability he would have been beaten by Marquard and in that event we would have been placed upon the defensive. To-day we expect to hit McGraw frontally, while Wood, who is in superb condition, will undoubtedly show the same effectiveness that beat the Giants twice last week."

When the game was over, however, McAleer, when interviewed, expressed himself in this manner: "I believe that Wood was bothered considerably by the heavy rain which blew directly in his face. He couldn't get his curve ball working and for some reason his speed was lacking. Something evidently was wrong with him, for with men on bases he used two winds of the arm before delivering the ball. That gave the Giant base runners a chance to make the most of every hit, and when Wood found that he had been blown directly in his face, he became bull-headed and just sailed the ball over the plate, trusting to his fielders to pull him out of the mire. It is either one of two things with Wood, he holds a team down to a few hits and one or two runs or he is batted out of the box. He isn't a bit discouraged and tells me that he wants to have another crack at the Giants to-morrow. If Wood had been at his best we couldn't have lost, for we hit Teasdale harder than in the other games he pitched against us. I have not decided whether to start Bedient or Wood to-morrow, but you can bank on one thing, the Red Sox will be in there fighting for victory until the last man has been retired."

McGraw Issues Orders to Meet Ball Squarely and Wait for Nothing at All.

Boston, Oct. 15.—When it became a sure thing that Wood had been carded to pitch McGraw issued final instructions to the Giants on the bench. He told them not to swing hard when they faced the crack pitcher, but to stand in front of the batter's box and just meet the ball squarely. These instructions were carried out to the letter, with the result that Wood took an awful tumble. The smoke ball artist had shown wonderful nerve in his victorious games of Tuesday and Friday and nobody believed that it was possible for him to falter.

In a dust cloud Wood faced Devore, who hit the second ball pitched in the direction of Wagner. It looked like an easy ball to handle, but for some reason the Boston shortstop while under headway tried to make a left handed stop of it. The result was that he juggled the ball and made no play at all.

Wood shot one squarely over the par for Doyle, who added to the confusion by slamming it to centre for a single, putting Devore on second. Right here the Boston critics scored Wood for making a double windup which permitted Devore and Doyle to execute a rattling double steal. Incidentally Cady saved Wood from making a wild pitch, for the latter threw the ball on the ground a foot outside of the home plate.

The next ball that Wood pitched was smashed on a line to right field by Snodgrass. Hooper made a desperate attempt to catch the flying leather, but it got away from him, Snodgrass getting a two bagger and scoring both Devore and Doyle. Murray worked in a sacrifice, and the crowd, dismayed, began to howl: "Take him out!" Murray's sacrifice, by the way, was on the first ball pitched, and the next ball delivered to Merkle was wafted high in the air over left centre field. The gate blew the ball rapidly toward the infield, and although Lewis sprinted at top speed to make what ordinarily would have been an easy catch the ball dropped safely and Snodgrass scooted home.

Herzog, also hitting the first ball pitched, enabled the Red Sox to run Merkle down between second and third. Chief Meyers cracked another first ball to left field, and the Giants' pitcher, still another first ball was belted by Fletcher past Stahli, and Meyers reached third. The climax was reached when the bulky Teasdale beat out an infield hit on the second ball pitched, scoring Meyers. Fletcher then made the sixth run on a successful double steal.

That was all there was of the Giants' triumph. Petey continued. "After the first inning they settled back and played single ball. I know just exactly how Doyle felt when he ran into the infield, danced around in the wrong place waiting for one of those Woolworth Building pop-ups to come down, and then tried to catch it with two knuckles. I've done it myself. But I never got paid for it."

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## MATTY TO START WITH MARQUARD IN RESERVE

Big Six, After Trying Arm Out, Says He's Ready to Kick Fling at Red Sox.

WOOD ASKS TO BE SENT IN Smoky Joe May Receive Chance to Retrieve, but Bedient Is Likely Choice.

Boston, Oct. 15.—Christy Mathewson, who warmed up periodically during this afternoon's one sided affair, will occupy the box for New York to-morrow. Matty declares that his arm is in pretty fair shape and that with any kind of a break he thinks he can hold the Bean Eaters down to a losing score. McGraw is prepared to take desperate chances to win to-morrow. If the Red Sox hit Matty the Giants' manager, it is said, will call upon Marquard to clean up. The Ruble did no work to-day, but he said that in spite of the hard game in New York yesterday he felt no ill effects and believed that he would be strong enough to pitch the extra game to-morrow if McGraw should decide at the last moment to use him instead of Mathewson. McGraw's confidence is based upon the fact that the Giants are hitting the ball with better results than in the early games of the series. The fact that they knocked Joe Wood out of the box in the first inning to-day has convinced the Giants' manager that they have nothing more to fear.

In the Red Sox camp to-night there is a difference of opinion as to whether Bedient or Wood should be selected to start against the Giants to-morrow. Wood is anxious to redeem himself, but there is no doubt that after his miserable showing to-day a large majority of the Boston fans prefer to stake everything on Bedient, who made the Giants look like minor leaguers here last Saturday. It is possible that Bedient will start the game and if the Giants find him Stahli will call upon Wood as a last resort. Bedient will have had three days of rest and the Boston players say that they do not believe the Giants can do much with his wonderful crossfire delivery.

The downfall of Joe Wood came like a flash, it is said, from a clear sky. He had been saved for to-day's struggle, for President McAleer was cooing that he would easily dispose of the New Yorks. Before the teams appeared on the field McAleer said to THE SUN man: "It would have been foolish to have pitched Wood yesterday, for in all probability he would have been beaten by Marquard and in that event we would have been placed upon the defensive. To-day we expect to hit McGraw frontally, while Wood, who is in superb condition, will undoubtedly show the same effectiveness that beat the Giants twice last week."

When the game was over, however, McAleer, when interviewed, expressed himself in this manner: "I believe that Wood was bothered considerably by the heavy rain which blew directly in his face. He couldn't get his curve ball working and for some reason his speed was lacking. Something evidently was wrong with him, for with men on bases he used two winds of the arm before delivering the ball. That gave the Giant base runners a chance to make the most of every hit, and when Wood found that he had been blown directly in his face, he became bull-headed and just sailed the ball over the plate, trusting to his fielders to pull him out of the mire. It is either one of two things with Wood, he holds a team down to a few hits and one or two runs or he is batted out of the box. He isn't a bit discouraged and tells me that he wants to have another crack at the Giants to-morrow. If Wood had been at his best we couldn't have lost, for we hit Teasdale harder than in the other games he pitched against us. I have not decided whether to start Bedient or Wood to-morrow, but you can bank on one thing, the Red Sox will be in there fighting for victory until the last man has been retired."

McGraw Issues Orders to Meet Ball Squarely and Wait for Nothing at All.

Boston, Oct. 15.—When it became a sure thing that Wood had been carded to pitch McGraw issued final instructions to the Giants on the bench. He told them not to swing hard when they faced the crack pitcher, but to stand in front of the batter's box and just meet the ball squarely. These instructions were carried out to the letter, with the result that Wood took an awful tumble. The smoke ball artist had shown wonderful nerve in his victorious games of Tuesday and Friday and nobody believed that it was possible for him to falter.

In a dust cloud Wood faced Devore, who hit the second ball pitched in the direction of